

## Review Form 1.7

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| Journal Name:            | <b>International Journal of Plant &amp; Soil Science</b>  |
| Manuscript Number:       | <b>Ms_IJPSS_109228</b>  |
| Title of the Manuscript: | <b>Exploring the Relationship Between Endophytic Bacteria and Biochemical Compounds in Pearl Millet</b> |
| Type of the Article      | <b>Original Research Article</b>  |

### PART 1: Review Comments

|  | Reviewer's comment   | Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here) |
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| <p><b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments</p> <p>1. <b>Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</b><br/>(Please write few sentences on this manuscript)</p> <p>2. <b>Is the title of the article suitable?</b><br/>(If not please suggest an alternative title)</p> <p>3. <b>Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</b></p> <p>4. <b>Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</b></p> <p>5. <b>Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</b></p> <p>6. <b>Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</b></p> <p><b>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</b></p> | <p>1. The present manuscript has done interesting work but needs some more explanation about the endophytic bacteria as well as its beneficial activity in Pearl Millet. The isolation of endophytic bacteria should be explained concise way that can be easily understandable. If the enzymatic work-related comparison is presented more will be good for the scientific community in the future.</p> <p>2. Alternative title:</p> <p>3. If my comments are amendments done by authors accordingly, the abstract of the article can comprehensive.</p> <p>4. If my comments are amendments done by authors, accordingly, will be subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate.</p> <p>5. The manuscript scientifically correct but need major corrections.</p> <p>6. The references not sufficient and recent. So, replace all old reference and add latest one.</p> <p>7. Please follow the journal's style and format.</p> <p>8. I have also mentioned some corrections in word file kindly check the file carefully.</p> <p>9. Present writing of the manuscript not good, far from publications, if all amendments done can be considered.</p> |   |
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